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SITUATION IN CYPRUS AS OF 0600 (EDT) JULY 21

MILITARY SITUATION IN CYPRUS. THE CEASEFIRE BROKE DOWN WHEN HEAVY AIR AND GROUND ACTIVITY RESUMED IN NICOSIA IN THE EARLY MORNING. ACTION FOCUSED AROUND THE GREEN LINE. UNFICYP PROPOSED A NEW CEASEFIRE, WHICH BOTH THE TMT (TURKISH MILITIA) AND THE NG ACCEPTED. LOCAL FIGHTING ALONG THE DEMARCATION LINE WAS TAPERING OFF AS OF 0600. THE GREEKS HAVE REPORTEDLY BROKEN TURKISH DEFENSES IN FAMAGUSTA. KARAVAS FBIS STATION WEST OF KYRENIA SUSTAINED SOME DAMAGE BUT NO INJURIES IN TWO MORTAR ATTACKS. FBIS REPORTS KYRENIA RANGE IN FLAMES IN BOTH DIRECTIONS AS FAR AS EYES COULD SEE.

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US DIPLOMATIC MOVES. SISCO MET WITH ECEVIT THIS MORNING TO PRESS FOR TURKISH AGREEMENT TO AN IMMEDIATE CEASEFIRE AND A LONDON CONFERENCE OF THE GUARANTOR STATES. MEANWHILE, AMBASSADOR TASCA PRESSED FOR AN AGREEMENT FOR A CEASEFIRE IN ATHENS.

EVACUATION. EVACUATION GOT UNDERWAY AT 1300 LOCAL. AN ARMED CONVOY OF CANADIAN UNFICYP TROOPS WILL ESCORT EVACUEES TO DHEKELIA SBA FROM WHICH THEY WILL BE FERRIED TO AKROTIRI SBA FOR FURTHER EVACUATION OR STANDFAST.

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